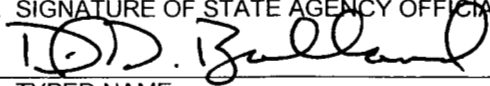



<b>TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION</b>		1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:  <b>04 - 06</b>	2. STATE:  <b>TEXAS</b>
		3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)	
TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:  <b>June 1, 2004</b>	
5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Circle One):  <input type="checkbox"/> NEW STATE PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT			
COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)			
6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION: Section 1927 of the Social Security Act, as amended		7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT: SEE ATTACHMENT a. FFY 2004      \$ (212,175) b. FFY 2005      \$ (1,369,123)	
8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:  <b>SEE ATTACHMENT</b>		9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):  <b>SEE ATTACHMENT</b>	
10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT: This amendment adds program benefit agreements as an option to the supplemental rebate agreements for the Preferred Drug List for drug manufacturers or labelers.  <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 100px;"> <i>2 Exps (04-06)</i>  <i>approved: 11/05/04</i>  <i>effective: 06/01/04</i> </div>			
11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One): <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED <b>Sent to Governor's Office this date. Comments, if any, will be forwarded upon receipt.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL			
12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL: 		16. RETURN TO:  David J. Balland Interim State Medicaid/CHIP Director Post Office Box 13247 Austin, Texas 78711	
13. TYPED NAME: David J. Balland			
14. TITLE: Interim State Medicaid/CHIP Director			
15. DATE SUBMITTED: 6/30/04			
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17. DATE RECEIVED: 30 JUNE 2004		18. DATE APPROVED: 5 NOVEMBER 2004	
<b>PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED</b>			
19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL: 1 JUNE 2004		20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL: 	
21. TYPED NAME: ANDREW A. FREDRICKSON		22. TITLE: ASSISTANT REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR DIV. OF MEDICAID & CHILDREN'S HEALTH	
23. REMARKS:			

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- The clinical efficacy of the drug consistent with the determination of the Food and Drug administration and the recommendations of the P&T committee;
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F. Supplemental Medicaid Drug Rebate Agreement: Pursuant to Section 1927 of the Act, the state has the following policies for Medicaid supplemental rebates and program benefits:

- A model agreement between the state and a drug manufacturer for drugs provided to the Medicaid population, submitted to CMS on January 29, 2004, and entitled "Texas Health and Human Services Commission, Title XIX Vendor Drug Program, Supplemental Rebate Agreement", has been authorized by CMS.
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